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THIS WEEK'S EDITION.

THE RECORD issues eight hundred copies this week, double the number circulated by any other paper here. Business men have now an opportunity of placing their announcements before the people through the medium of a large circulation.

WELL RECEIVED.

The first number of THE RECORD was eagerly sought for and elicited many eulogistic remarks. The subscriptions are coming in rapidly, and we have good reasons for believing that in a short time we will have the large list we are after. As this week's number will reach many who did not get the first, we have reprinted our "Greeting."

CONMEE'S SEAT SAFE.

The election trial to unseat Mr. Conmee, member of East Algoma in the Ontario Legislature, held at Port Arthur on Wednesday and Thursday of this week, has resulted in sustaining his election. This result will not displease many in the western portion of the district, as it is generally considered that our member did well at the last session of the House, when the new mining law was under discussion. He took the commendable course on that occasion of placing the interests of his constituents before those of his party. Any man who will thus be independent deserves credit for so doing.

HUDSON BAY RAILWAY.

The scheme to build a railway to Hudson Bay has met with much opposition from different sources, but has been gradually winning its way. Of the present owners of the charter THE RECORD will not speak, but that the idea is practicable and necessary to aid the rapid development of the great west, we are convinced. It has been said that the opening up of such a road would injure the Canadian Pacific main line east of Winnipeg, but that is an erroneous view. Anything that helps to fill the prairies with good settlers under favorable conditions will contribute to the general good, the C. P. R. not excepted. As an instance, the prosperity of this section depends largely upon the growth of the west, as there our present and prospective manufactures must find a market. The Dominion Parliament has passed a bill granting a postal subsidy to the road, but when it came before the Senate, apparently strong opposition was shown. The latest reports, however, indicate that the bill will pass. This is gratifying, and it is to be hoped that, with the aid granted by the Dominion and Manitoba Governments, the scheme will be speedily carried to completion.

In this connection we give space to the excellent poem, "Open the Bay," written by Mr. C. Mair, of Prince Albert.

GREETING.

THE WEEKLY RECORD herewith makes its bow to the public of Rat Portage, Keewatin, Norman and surrounding district. On entering the journalistic arena it is proper in some measure to outline what characteristics are proposed to be given this new candidate for public favor. It will be our constant endeavor to make the interests of the trio towns and district of the first importance, believing as we do that our hidden mineral wealth is on the eve of great practical development, which will produce wonderful results, and that our extensive lumbering industries will continue to enjoy that large prosperity which is now the chief support of our population. Our immense water power, though as yet only used in a small degree, is now driving the largest flouring mill on the continent, besides saw mills, and its capabilities are still unmeasured. Here will be centered the manufacturing institutions that will supply the wants of the numerous population that is filling the vast prairies of the west. A glance into the future cannot fail to inspire the confidence that the prosperity of the Lake of the Woods embryo cities will continue to flow in an ever increasing volume.

The proprietor of THE RECORD had the honor of establishing the first bona fide newspaper in Rat Portage in the fall of 1880, the old and well and favorably remembered PROGRESS. In the second year of publication the business was sold to Messrs. Alexander & Claus who continued it for three years to the credit of themselves and the place. They sold it to a company which found difficulty in securing suitable managers, and after a number of changes, the business passed into the hands of the present proprietor who changed the name. When we were publishing THE PROGRESS it was well patronized by the then population, but the place was so small that it was necessary to engage in other business for financial reasons. But Rat Portage has made a wonderful growth; Keewatin and Norman, its sister towns, are now places of importance, and the general prospects of the district give promise of substantial development in the near future. The time has arrived when a first class, live newspaper is required to properly represent the extent and enterprise of the trio towns. To supply this demand we have brought in a printing plant and launched THE RECORD on the ocean of journalism, and we believe we will not rely in vain on a discerning public for a liberal patronage.

In politics our predilictions are with the Conservative party, but we will not assume to give the same importance to partyism that is given by the leading journals of the large cities. The interests of the district will be in general of greater importance to us than party politics. Still we will never be neutral on any question or silent when it is necessary to speak. When true men are contending for right principles we will be found in the fray, using facts and arguments and avoiding personalities or cause of offence to opponents. Men of honor in both parties regard the proper discussion of public questions as the best means of arriving at correct conclusions, and on this basis we take our stand, not as an organ, but rather as an exponent of sound principles.

MINES NOT GOING AT THAT RATE.

A [illegible] been placed in our hands [illegible] which was written [illegible] in Toronto. The letter [illegible] to a certain Rat Portager, in answer to a communication which had been sent from here, requesting information as to the probabilities of Toronto capital investing in [illegible] properties in the neighborhood, [illegible] the chances of a speedy [illegible] return were unexceptionable and beyond a doubt. The information [illegible] for was not forthcoming [illegible], instead, there came to hand a [illegible] of abuse of the people and prospects of this district, so preposterous and outrageous as to throw grave [illegible] upon the disinterestedness of the motives which actuated it. [illegible] out by saying that

"I [illegible] no unwilling to acquire a suitable property, but I don't find the people have practical ideas. The sums asked for [illegible] and the nature of the control they want are too absurd."

Perhaps it would be as well to see what this gentleman considers a suitable property. Here is the glowing description:

"It must be a very rich promise, a very good and distinct vein, well mineralized at the outset, [illegible], so that by team or by boat the output could be sent to the reduction works without great cost."

Very good. Now upon what terms would he be willing to invest in this suitable property. Let us read on—

"If such a location could be shown me developed, a person might be found, even here, who would give ¼ interest in the profits, if any, upon working or sale, up to $5,000 or nearly that."

So that, after all, it appears as if the intending investor is some shadowy Torontonian without form or substance, who might be persuaded to acquire—acquire is a very good word—a very rich promise, very very good, distinct vein, well mineralized, etc., etc., and, on the strength of some developments, sell it for, say $20,000. It also appears as if the suppositious philanthropist might be willing to hand you over a quarter share of the net profits of the sale, that is, provided of course, that there were any net profits left to speak of. Bear in mind, however, that whether the property sells for $20,000 or $200,000, it will make no difference to you over and above $5,000, or nearly that."

The generous spirit exhibited in the proposition as a whole is sufficient to take one's breath away. No wonder he characterizes the persons who refused to entertain it as folks of no practicable ideas, with absurd notions as to the value of suitable properties. Seriously, the gall of the author of the precious epistle is something appalling.

"What," he asks, "is there to induce a man with any means to exile himself at Rat Portage, or in the woods?"

Aye, truly, what? If after years of "exile" and toil spent in exploring in the woods, and money spent in securing a suitable property and preparing it for the market, if after all this a man is bound to hand it over to greedy speculators for a paltry two or three thousand dollars, what, we ask, is there to induce a man to so "exile" himself?

That the Toronto gentleman has a pretty shrewd notion of the values of some of the properties he professes so much contempt for is apparent from the following:

"Both times I was in Rat Portage people were talking $10,000 to $100,000 for a hole or a show, or ½ or ¼ interest, which may mean a good deal more."

We submit that a "hole" or "show," a ½ or ¼ share in which may be worth more than $100,000, is worth investigating anyhow; and the plucky discoverer of such a suitable property is worthy of some consideration at the hands of those who are to reap the fruits of his labors.

In conclusion, this letter is only a fair sample of the misrepresentations and ignorance in high quarters with which our district has had to contend right along. If this person is so very anxious to secure a location here we will undertake to find him one, all the way up from $50. We do not undertake to say that a half or a third share of it may be worth $100,000; properties of that kind are not begging around Rat Portage just now. It will probably be worth $50, no more, no less. What it might be worth, provided money is spent in work and development, we shall not pretend to prophesy.

ITEMS OF INTEREST.

—The Philadelphia Press characterises Mr. Erastus Wiman's assault upon the memory of Sir John Macdonald as a worse than tactless and tasteless utterance, and calculated to give the Liberal cause in Canada a distinct set back.—Mail.

—Baroness Macdonald, of Earnscliff, has received from her Majesty an autograph letter conveying the Queen's personal sympathy with her ladyship and an expression of Her Majesty's sense of the great loss sustained by Canada and the empire generally in the death of Sir John Macdonald. Her Majesty in conclusion says it gives her pleasure to bestow a peerage on Lady Macdonald.

—"Smashers of the Confederation and tearers up to the Constitution have been heard from before this. They have made themselves ridiculous in Ontario as well as in Quebec, in Nova Scotia, in Manitoba and in British Columbia. But somehow Confederation serenely survives their mashing without apparently feeling the blows, and though irate editors tear up the constitution whenever things do not proceed according to their wishes, it still continues to work as usual with provoking smoothness and regularity."—Montreal Star.

—The World's Ottawa correspondent says: "I have it on the best authority that Mr. Abbot and Sir John Thompson have the resignation of all their colleagues in hand to go into effect as soon as the session is over. If the Opposition insist on making more charges and continuing the session the government will introduce a measure redistributing the seats as soon as the census figures can be added up, and that means a general election. The new leaders, so their near friends say, have as a first duty to keep the Reformers out of power, and then next to re-construct the Government and appeal, if necessary, to the country as soon as the lists are revised and seats re-distributed. They are ready to sit until October in order to do this."

—Sir George Baden-Powell, M.P., of the British Bearing Sea commission, arrived in New York on the Etruria. He was accompanied by Ashley Froude, secretary of the commission and son of the great historian. Of his commission Sir George said: "Fortunately the dispute was taken in hand in time, and when we return from our expedition, probably in November next, I am confident the back of the problem will have been broken and a solution reached which will prove satisfactory to all concerned." Referring to the question of the annexation of Canada Sir George said "I do not believe any such thing would ever happen. The Canadian people will keep Canada for themselves, basing their independence on close and cordial co-operation and union with an Empire which by all the ties of descent, blood, institutions, religion and material interests, is one and indivisible and will so remain for all the future of that great Empire of the Canadian people."

—The report telegraphed to a Winnipeg paper that the Government does not take any stock in a road to the Hudson Bay is utterly absurd. Dewdney, speaking for the Government during the debate, said: "With regard to the main Hudson Bay road, I may state that I have given my personal attention to that, and come to the conclusion, after a good deal of study, that the road is feasible and navigation sufficiently open to accommodate traffic. I believe if constructed it would result in cheapening the cost of transportation of our products from fifteen to twenty cents per bushel. Referring to the remainder of the report to the effect that Ross & Co. have a contract to build the entire road and were negotiating for capital and practically control the line. Hugh Sutherland says, "It lacks the following elements of truth: Ross & Co. have not a contract for the entire road, are not negotiating for capital to build it, and do not control the company." He further says for the information of those who appear troubled about the control of the company that it is still in the hands of the original promoters where it always has been and where it is going to stay.

OPEN THE BAY!

The navagation of Hudson's Straits is impracticable. Enlightened Hudson's Bay Co. Trader from Ungava.

The Hudson's Bay route is a chimera. Patriotic Toronto Newspaper.

Open the Bay, which o'er the northland broods,
Dumb, yet in labor with a mighty fate!
Open the Bay! Humanity intrudes,
And gropes, prophetic, round its solitudes,
In eager thought, and will no longer wait!

Open the Bay which Cabbot first espied,
In days when tiny bark and pinnace bore
Stout pilots and brave captains true and tried—
Those dauntless souls who battled, far and wide,
With wind and wave, in the great days of yore.

Open the Bay which Hudson doubly crowned
By fame—to science and to history gave:
This was his limit, this his utmost bound—
Here, all unwittingly, he sailed and found,
At once, a path of empire and a grave!

Open the Bay! What cared that seaman grim
For towering iceberg or the crashing floe?
He sped at noonday or at midnight dim—
A man!—and, hence, there was a way for him,
And where he went a thousand ships can go.

Open the Bay!—the myriad prairies call;
Let homesteads rise and comforts multiply;
Give to the world the shortest route of all—
Let justice triumph though the heavens should fall!
This is the voice of reason—manhood's cry.

Open the Bay! Who are they that say "No"?
Who bars the portals? Nature? She resigned
Her icy reign, her stubborn frost and snow,
Her sovereign sway and scepter, long ago,
To sturdy manhood and the master, Mind!

Not these the foe! Not nature, who is fain,
When earnest hearts and earnest end pursue;
But man's old selfishness and greed of gain:
These ancient breeders of earth's sin and pain—
These are the thieves who steal the nation's due!

Such are the heirs of traders Gilliam led—
Such were they in the past, with souls obtuse
When duty called—who, recreant and dead
To England's honor, hung the craven's head,
And struck the British flag to La Perouse.

And such are they who, in their Eastern place,
Say, "It is folly and the purpose vain!"
The carrier and the shallow hucksters race—
Theirs are the hands, not Nature's which efface
And seal the public good for private gain.

Open the Bay! Let earth's poor people in!
What though the selfish interests lie and flout.
Open the Inlet! Let them growl and grin,
And Power still hobnob with them in their sin—
Humanity, their master, is about!

It looks abroad, and with purged vision sees
Man's wily nature bared, not overcast.
It comes to scatter to the winds his pleas,
His privilege and bland accessories,
And with strong arm right the wronged at last!

Prince Albert, N. W. T. C. MAIR.

—A correspondent asks the difference between the expressions "the hotels were taxed to their utmost," and "the hotels were equal to the occassion." These expressions were used in reports printed of the Dominion Day demonstration. An outside reader would infer from the first that there was a large demand for hotel accommodation and that the hotels were very ordinary houses, while from the second that, though the crowd was great the hotels were of a superior kind in both size and management, which is the fact with reference to our hostelries.

—The question of jurisdiction raised by the recent seizure of American fishing boats off the coast of Maine by the Canadian steamer Dream has been referred to the United States Department of State.

—The Scientific American says if a bottle of the oil of pennyroyal is left uncorked in a room at night, not a mosquito or any other bloodsucker will be found there in the morning. Mix potash with powdered meal and throw it into the rat holes of a cellar, and the rats will depart. If a rat or mouse gets into your pantry, stuff in its hole a rag saturated with a solution of cayenne pepper, and no rat or mouse will touch the rag for the purpose of opening a communication with a depot of supplies. All of which is important if true.

RAT PORTAGE.

"The Saratoga of the West."

TOWN TOPICS.

—Monday next has been proclaimed a civic holiday by Reeve Young.

—Potatoes are very scarce in town, and are selling at one to two dollars per bushel.

—Mr. P. T. Baribeau contemplates building a residence for himself on Main street north of the track, on the hill.

—All the lumber mills will, as usual, shut down in order to allow the men to participate in the C.P.R. picnic, which comes off on Monday next.

—The next sitting of the Division Court will be held here on the 11th of August, and July 31st will be the last day of service for that Court.

—Tenders are being called for by Sheriff Carpenter, assignee, for an offer, at a rate on the dollar, for the purchase of the personal property and effects of Mr. W. B. Fotheringham, of Morley, Rainy River.

—Something ought to be done towards abating the cow-bell nuisance. The nocturnal cat is bad enough in all conscience, but as a disturber of peaceful slumber, the average cow-bell takes the cake and cuss-words every time.

—The late Col. Bedson, of Stony Mountain, had many warm friends around Rat Portage. His geniality and hospitable open-handedness will not be forgotten for many a long day by those whose good fortune it was to come into social contact with the deceased officer.

—An Ottawa telegram says: "There is a rumor to the effect that City Engineer Jennings, of Toronto, will shortly resign his post to accept the position of Chief Engineer of the Public Works Department, rendered vacant by the resignation of H. F. Perley." The Mr. Jennings referred to was at one time resident at Rat Portage, engineer in charge of construction of the first division on the C.P.R. east of the Winnipeg river.

—On Rideout Bay, on Tuesday last, a tenderfoot got into a canoe without permission of the owner (an Indian.) He did not go far before he discovered that he had not learned that the secret of canoeing was in keping the centre of weight perpendicular with and as near as possible to the centre of support. The canoe took liberties where the water was deep, and the victim of its little joke was not much of a swimmer. One of his companions stripped and went to his rescue. Mr. Tenderfoot had a somewhat narrow escape from drowning, and then and there swore off making too free with canoes.

—On Tuesday evening last the town was favored by a visit from the citizens' band of Winnipeg, which came to take part in the lumbermen's excursion leaving Rat Portage next morning. On the way from the station to the hotel the band played several pieces, as they did also on Wednesday morning before starting on the excursion. Judging from the remarks passed by the listeners we should say that their selections were highly appreciated, but is it not a pity that we have not a citizens' band of our own, and thus avoid the necessity of having to send into Winnipeg for our music. We have been assured by parties who are competent to judge that the town does not lack the talent for a good band, and with a little encouragement from the council and others a first class set of instruments could be procured, which would cost very little more than it is costing to procure the services of the Winnipeg band for the two days on the excursion and for the C.P.R. picnic on Monday, thereby sending so much money out of the town. With assistance from the council the instruments should remain the property of the town, which, therefore, would not be anything out of pocket for the help it might give.

—Look out for THE RECORD next week.

—The Reed Fish Co.'s barge Rose is being hauled out for repairs.

—Mr. James Malcolm has secured the contract for the brickwork and plastering of Mr. Kobold's elegant new dwelling.

—The Oddfellows of Winnipeg propose to hold an excursion to Rat Portage shortly. The local society is preparing to give them a good reception.

—We are pleased to be able to say that Conductor Thompson who received severe injuries as reported in THE RECORD last week has so far improved as to be considered out of danger.

—Next week's meeting of the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor in connection with the Presbyterian church, has been postponed from Monday till Tuesday evening.

—At the meeting of the Epworth League on Monday evening last Mr. C. E. Neads was appointed representative on the Quarterly Board of the church, four new members were added and next week's meeting postponed till Tuesday evening.

—Mr. W. Whyte, General Superintendent of the Western Division of the C. P. R. was here on his private car Friday and Saturday last. Mr. Cameron, the assistant, accompanied him. Mr. Whyte was on his way returning from Port Arthur on a tour of inspection.

—On Wednesday evening last two of our visitors entered the holy bonds of matrimony. The interesting event came off at the Methodist church, the Rev. Mr. Jamieson officiating. The contracting parties were Mr. Ainsworth and Miss Clarke, both of Winnipeg. The affair was altogether private.

—On Thursday evening last the directors of the Lake of the Woods Gold and Silver Reduction Co. held a meeting here and decided to hold a general meeting of the shareholders of the Co., on the 8th of August, at 10 o'clock, to inspect the works, discuss the issue of Treasury stock and other matters.

—The Winnipeg citizens' band is a dandy. The selections played on Main street for the delectation of our citizens were much appreciated and roundly applauded. Would it not be a good scheme to encourage a band of our own, so that we could have these open air concerts all through the season. A little money laid out in this direction would be well spent.

—Mr. Robt. Cameron, at one time brakesman from here, met with serious injuries recently on the Calgary and Edmonton Railway. The train on which he was conductor there ran over a cow, causing a wreck. Mr. Cameron was thrown off one of the cars and was at first incorrectly reported to have been killed. His injuries caused concussion of the brain from which he is reported to be slowly recovering.

—The Rat Portage rifle company, No. 3, yesterday received notice to attend the annual drill at Sault St. Marie on the 4th of August. This company is composed of forty two men and three officers, Major Carmichael, Adjutant and Capt. Kobold and Capt. Ferguson. A few more men are required to fill out the complement of the company, which will parade every evening at the fire hall at 20 o'clock, when orders for transport will be received.

—Dr. Thos. Hanson returned on Wednesday from Assabaskashing. Mrs. Hanson and family also returned from a visit to Mr. Geo. McPherson's. The Dr. is Government Medical Superintendent of Treaty No. 3. He reports the health of the Indians this season much better than usual, there being no epidemic diseases amongst them, and only a few cases of consumption. The Dr. has a large territory to cover, of which he is expected to make the round twice a year.

—The new extension of Ward's hotel on Second street is being finished.

—Subscribe for and advertise in THE RECORD, and help to draw still greater attention to the resources of our district.

—The Sunday services in Zion Methodist church will be as follows: On Sunday morning by Mr. Copeland, General Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., and in the evening by Rev. W. N. Jamieson.

—R. W. Bro. John Kerr Brydon is absent at Toronto attending the annual communication of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Canada. M. W. Bro. J. Ross Robinson has been re-elected Grand Master, and R. W. Bro. Dobie, elected D.D.G.M. for this district.

—The examination of log scalers under the Cullers Act takes place here to-day. There were twelve entries last evening, which number may be increased this morning. Messrs. Margach, Crown Timber Agent, D. L. Mather and Sheriff Carpenter are the examiners.

—In Knox church, on Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, service will be conducted by the pastor, assisted by one of the prominent members of the Y.M.C.A. In the evening at 19 o'clock an interesting service will be held. Two of the leading members of the Y.M.C.A. will take part along with the pastor.

—Our report of the Lumbermen's excursion is held over till next week. Meantime we may say it was an unqualified success, and will be a great benefit to this district. The manufacturers and dealers held a private meeting at the Hilliard House last evening, at which trade interests were discussed.

—Mr. Wm. McKay, who has a homestead about ten miles up the Rainy river from its mouth, arrived here on Wednesday last, with his barge Bertha McKay, loaded with lumber and cedar posts. He had on board 130,000 feet of lumber for shipment by the C. P. R. to Brandon, and 6,000 cedar posts for the local market. Mr. McKay built his barge last year. She is 110 feet long by 24 feet amidships, and 8 feet in the hold; capacity 250,000 feet of sawn lumber. Mr. McKay has already made several trips with his barge and is open to charter for heavy freight of all kinds; also for excursion parties upon timely notice.

Mining Matters.

—Another deal has been made with a St. Paul combination to open up and develop a fine indication in the neighborhood. It is stated that work will commence within thirty days.

—Work on the Sultana is being pushed in good shape. There are ten men employed in drifting a tunnel from the face of the rock in towards the vein. As soon as this is accomplished and as quickly as elbow room can be cleared for them, a stronger force of men will be put on. The little steamer Regina is a wonder and has fairly won the hearts of those running her. The new screw which replaces the one she lost on her last trip, has greatly improved her sailing qualities. She is kept very busy just now carrying supplies to the island.

Rat Portage, July 21, 1891

To the Editor of THE RECORD.

Sir, Allow me to congratulate you on the appearance of your first number. It is printed so that it can be read, and it contains a great amount of news, just what our town wants. You have come out flat-footed for the interest of the district, as I am pleased to see and quite agree with you. You must stir up the mining interests, and remind the people of Canada that this section has "another shrill wind"

The people who have worked hard for the development as well as the discovery of mineral on the Lake of the Woods are now told that jumpers are taking their place, and the Ontario mining law is to blame. Show it up, and you will earn the gratitude of all honest men interested.

Yours etc

INSIDER

Personal Paragraphs.

—Mr. Geo. Drewry went west on Tuesday.

—Mr. A. Cameron returned on Tuesday from a visit to Brandon.

—Messrs. Linn and Reily, of the Reduction Co., are here this week.

—Mr. J. F. Caldwell, of the Sultana mine, left for home on Sunday last.

—Mr. D. Hope and family, of Winnipeg, are spending a holiday here.

—Dean Grisdale, Mrs. Grisdale and Miss Inkster have returned to Winnipeg.

—The Misses Milledge, friends of Mrs. H. F. Holmes, are here for a summer outing.

—Mr. J. McKay, of the H. B. Co., returned on Tuesday from the Wabigoon treaty.

—Mrs. Dr. Scovil and children returned on Wednesday from a visit to Winnipeg.

—Miss Longmore and Miss Campbell, of Winnipeg, are in town on a visit with Mrs. Dulmage.

—Mr. James Malcolm left for Winnipeg on Sunday morning last. He will return on to-day's train.

—Mr. D. West Northwest manager of the Standard Oil Co., was in town this week combining business and pleasure.

—Rev. Mr. McKenzie, now of Morden, Man., at one time stationed here, is in town on a visit to his son-in-law, Mr. D. T. Ferguson.

—Mr. John McKay, who is attending Toronto University, is spending his vacation at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McKay.

—Mr. Chas. Downing, a C. P. R. brakesman, had his right hand hurt on Thursday, while coupling cars, and thereby loses part of his middle finger.

—Mr. Walter Ross, of the firm of Messrs Ross, Hall & Brown has returned from a trip to Michigan, where he was on a visit to his mother who has been ill.

—Mr. J. E. Rice, C. P. R. conductor, returned on Tuesday from a three weeks trip to St. Paul, Duluth and other points. He visited his mother and friends at Chatfield. Minn.

—Mr. Schnarr left for the east on Sunday night. He will attend the Grand Encampment of Oddfellows to be held in Galt, as the local delegate. He will be absent two or three weeks altogether.

—Mr. D. McIntyre, Superintendent of public schools, and family, Dr. White and family, W. J. Ptolemy and family, C. N. Mitchell and family, W. Grundy and family, all from Winnipeg, are rusticating on Coney island.

—Mr. C. H. Campbell, general agent of the Government Immigration department, Miss Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Paterson, Mr. and Mrs. Hutchison, all of Winnipeg, arrived here last Friday night. They are camped as a party on Coney island, and will remain a short time.

A NEW CHEAP LIGHT.

We are asked to publish the following:

Take a long vial of the clearest glass, put into it a piece of phosphorus about the size of a pea, upon this pour some pure olive oil heated to the boiling point, the bottle to be filled one third full, then cork tightly. To use the light, remove the cork, allow the air to enter, and then re-cork. The whole empty space in the bottle will become luminous, and the light obtained will be a good one. As soon as the light becomes dim its power can be increased by opening the bottle and allowing a fresh supply of air to enter. In cold weather the bottle can be heated between the hands.

GEORGE MITCHELL, Conveyancer, Commissioner, etc., in the H. O. J. Office—Matheson St., Rat Portage.

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Rat Portage, 15th July, 1891.

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SALE.

TENDERS will be received by the Department of the Interior, up to Tuesday the 30th June next, for the purchase of the Northwest quarter of section 32, Township 2, Range 22, West of the first Principal Meridian, containing about 139 acres, on which there is a dwelling house and other improvements.

Terms of sale are one fifth cash and the balance in four equal annual instalments, with interest at six per cent.

A cheque on a chartered bank for the amount of the first instalment, payable to the order of the Deputy Minister of the Interior, must accompany the tender.

No tender by telegraph will be entertained.

The highest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

By order,

JOHN R. HALL,
Secretary.

Department of the Interior, Ottawa.

NOTE.—The above sale is postponed until Friday, the 31st July next.

MONEY

NORMAN.

—THE RECORD desires to fill these columns with Norman matters; the citizens can help us do it.

—The marsh on the north side of the track is being drained by the municipality.

—Mr. Andrew Cowie, who had his hand cut on the trimmer saw last week, is progressing favorably.

—The genial C.P.R. operator, Mr. Hogle, enlivened our streets with his presence last Monday evening.

—Mr. J. H. Chaloner, lately of Norman, but now of Hartney, Man., is here this week. He goes west on Monday morning.

—Mr. W. W. Scott, the hustler log foreman for Messrs. Cameron & Kennedy, is in town for a rest after several months away in the woods.

—Some of our visitors are having heaps of fun with the yacht Undine of Norman. Her sailing qualities are splendid, and you could not upset her if you tried.

—Verily these are glorious days. We have had no less than two councillors, together with the Reeve, Inspector and Assistant Inspector looking after our welfare this week.

—A drain is being constructed by the municipality from the Norman hotel past Mr. Davies' store. This will be of great advantage to the people in the immediate vicinity, and will be the means of abating a serious nuisance.

—Last Sunday the following services were held in the hall: In the morning, conducted by Rev. Mr. Chegwin, in the afternoon, conducted by Rev. R. Nairn, B.A., and in the evening by Mr. J. M. McLean, B.A., of Winnipeg.

—An ice cream social will be held at Norman Hall, on Wednesday, August 5th, under the auspices of Rockland Council, No. 50, R. T. of T. A good program will be rendered. Ice cream served at 7.30. Chair taken at 8.30. Admission 25 cents.

—A piston rod giving way at Cameron's mill on Thursday morning caused the carriage to take a plunge towards the lake. Mr. McRae's great agility, however, saved it getting there quite, while Fred, the dodger, was thrown from it at the rate of a hundred miles an hour, which did not materially interfere with his digestive powers. He escaped with but slight injuries.

—Last Monday evening an entertainment was held in the hall. Mr. Chegwin occupied the chair. The following program was well rendered: Opening humorous address, chairman; song, Miss Shipton; recitation, Mr. Large; song, Mr. Mulvey; recitation, Miss Sugden; after which followed a series of lime light views, ably displayed by Mr. G. W. Sugden. The entertainment was very successful, but the attendance was small, owing no doubt, to the mills running nights, and lack of advertising.

RAINY RIVER RIPPLES.

—Messrs. J. R. Hughes & Co., mill was shut down for a few days this week undergoing repairs.

—Mr. Wm. McKay has gone to Rat Portage with his big barge loaded with lumber and cedar posts.

WHAT THE RECORD WILL DO.

It will track railway topics.

It will prospect for mining news.

It will drive lumbering matters.

It will give grists of milling items.

It will give pleasure to our summer visitors.

It will paddle for boating and marine paragraphs.

It will whirl the advantages and importance of our Lake of the Woods water power.

It will be printed so that it can be read.

It will endeavor to be a credit to the district.

It will endeavor to merit a welcome entrance into every house.

It will make the interests of the trio towns its chief politics.

It will be pleased to receive any item of local news from anybody.

It will prepare and publish each week three times as much original reading matter in reference to the trio towns and district as any paper heretofore printed here.

Hudsons's Bay Railway.

Government Bill Will Pass in the Senate.

Senator Perley and Mr. Davis, M. P., passed through Winnipeg from Ottawa en route to their districts in the west. The senator declared to a Free Press representative that he had a crop on his farm at Wolsely which could not be equalled in the province of Manitoba, and he was anxious to see it. Referring to the delay in the senate passing the Hudson Bay Railway bill Senator Perley said had it not been for the blunder of the clerk in not distributing the bill, the measure would have been adopted previous the adjournment, which was previously arranged for, notices of motion to that effect having been given. The bill would be sanctioned by the senate, however, on reassembling by a vote of over two to one. The senator returns east to Ottawa in a few days.

Senator Boulton and Senator Girard arrived in Winnipeg Tuesday from Ottawa on private business. Senator Boulton went on to Brandon in the afternoon to attend the dairy convention, which takes place there Wednesday, and will go to Russell on Thursday. In speaking to a Free Press reporter respecting the Hudsen Bay railway, Senator Boulton said that the matter was evoking much interest at the capital, and he thought that the bill would pass its third reading in the Senate when it is next brought up. When Mr. Abbott moved the second reading of the bill last Friday, Mr. Scott, leader of the Opposition in the Senate, opposed the measure on general principals, it is supposed on behalf of the Liberal party in the Commons. Mr. Scott concluded his argument by urging that it would be more advisable to spend the money in opening the Ottawa Valley canal. Mr. Snowball, senator from New Brunswick, supported the scheme on the ground of his life long experience in the fishery business. He contended that a square mile of sea was equal in value to a square mile of land owing to its productive power with respect to the fisheries, and in support of his contention stated that within sight of his home one hundred tons of fish were taken every day for six or seven weeks during the fishing season. He therefore concluded that the value of the waters of Hudson Bay was so great that it would justify the construction of the railway, even if the straits were not open a single day in the year. This was a strong point, says Senator Boulton, which struck many of the senators who were otherwise disposed to resent the efforts to divert the trade of this country from eastern channels—that being a very effective argument against the bill in the Senate, though it was pointed out that the government had decided to assist the road more as an aid to colonization than to secure the construction of a Hudson Bay railway.

WHAT THE RECORD WILL NOT DO.

It will not assume that the town is run for its special benefit.

It will not pad its columns or give away space to make a show.

It will not profess to be "Independent in politics",—all on one side.

It will not allow its columns to be used as a vent for personal feeling.

It will not examine its advertising columns before admitting an item of news.

It will not foster local jealousies nor in any way manifest a sectional spirit.

It will not tolerate delay in the delivery of its copies by the postal authorities or other carriers.

It will not run dead advertisements for years, months or even weeks merely to make a paper of size.

It will not knowingly permit references directly or indirectly to private affairs that do not concern the public.

It will not send papers except sample copies to any one who has not subscribed, and then practice the "stand and deliver" policy of firing the newspaper law at him to make him pay up.

—The first laborers excursion from Ontario to Manitoba leaves Toronto by the C.P.R. Tuesday, the 28th. The fare from any station in Ontario to Deloraine, Methven, Hartney, Binscarth, Moosimin, or any intervening point west of Winnipeg is $15. Purchasers of these tickets receive certificates to enable them to return up to Nov. 30th for $18 each, providing they have been working as farm laborers for one month previous to their return.

Church Dedication.

The New Roman Catholic Church Opened.

On Sunday last the new Catholic church, Notre Dame du Portage, was opened for public worship. The church was well filled, a large number of the audience being Protestants. Those taking part in the ceremony of the blessing of the new building were Very Rev'd. Monsigneur Grouard, Bishop-elect of Athabasca, and MacKenzie; Rev. Father Camper, St. Laurent, Superior of O. M. I. order in Manitoba; Rev. Father Fox, O.M.I, of St. Mary's, Winnipeg, and the the resident priests, Rev. Fathers Baudin and Cahill. After the blessing Father Fox preached in English a sermon appropriate to the occasion from Psalm 26, verse 8, "Lord I have loved the habitation of thy house and the place where thine honor dwelleth;" After giving due credit to Father Baudin and his untiring energy in connection with the building of the church, and thanks to those Protestants as well as Catholics by whose aid it had been built; he spoke of the church in a three fold aspect—the natural, the spiritual and the universal—and the cause for rejoicing on such occasions as the present. He defined from the Catholic view, the difference of the foundations of the Catholic and Protestant religions, describing the latter as founded on opinions and beliefs liable to change, while that of the former was faith—actual faith—no more subject to change than was the blessed Lord—the same yesterday, today, and forever. In conclusion he asked those hearing him to be lovers of the man and of prayer and of the Lord's House and to seek to be blameless and lead consistent lives so that Jesus Christ would himself make them His House and dwell with them. He trusted all present, Catholic and Protestants alike, would pray for an increase of faith and for the love of God.

In the evening Very Rev. Monsigneur Grouard preached in French, taking as his subject the saying of Jacob. "This is the house of God and the gate of heaven." He showed how though God was infinite yet had He chosen the church as a special place where His children might come, and how important a thing it bore in our lives from birth to death: a place for the dedication of the new life and a place for the last rites on behalf of the departed. He brought his hearers to seek the Living bread; to seek rest in the church, leaving outside all thoughts of worry, of profits of politics and to be full of prayer and adoration. In concluding he told how Archbishop Tache desired, through him to express the great interest he had in their welfare, and that he rejoiced at the erection and dedication of this church. He, the bishop, was pleased to express his pleasure at being present and ask of the prayers of all that he might be blessed in his labores among the Indians of the far north, and that as they had Indians among them they should remember that they were their brethren and show them a good example and win them to the faith, and the good God would abundantly bless them and theirs.

The history of the Roman Catholic Church in this place is a brief one. When the railway was being built, Rev. Father Lacombe was appointed to visit the several points from Selkirk to Port Arthur, and generally attend to the spiritual wants of those of his faith. In 1882, a small log house was first used as a chapel, and later on the contractors provided a frame building which did service till the spring of 1883. Rev. Father Baudin, the priest at present in charge, came here in November, 1882, and in 1883 the building was put up which has until now served the double purposes of chapel and dwelling house. Last May, 1890, Father Camper, superior of the O.M.I., was here on a visit, and after discussing the question of a church building, the matter was referred to Archbishop Taché and it was decided to proceed with the erection of the building just opened. The church is of stone and is 84 by 42 feet and seated 800 with room for more seats if required. It contains a gallery for the choir, and with the plastered walls and varnished pine ceiling has a pleasing appearance. It is built on the height across the railway track and the view across the lake, on a day such as Sunday was, is one to be remembered. A bell is expected shortly for the church, but meantime the tower is not completed and there is still some work to do around the buildings.

Arrangements are not yet completed, but it is expected the old building will be used as a school, the lower part being for the school and the upper part as the residence of the sisters in charge. Between the old and new buildings a priest's residence has been built.—From the Free Press with corrections.

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KEEWATIN.

This page of THE RECORD is reserved for Keewatin news and advertisements, and we think we can fill it in that way when we get running smoothly; watch it.

—Our Keewatin matter is growing.

—Mr. Monk's youngest child is dangerously ill.

—Mr. Andrew Simpson went to Vancouver this week.

—Monday next has been declared Keewatin's civic holiday.

—Mr. Peter Campbell went west on Thursday morning to the Pacific coast on business.

—Miss Insull, of Winnipeg, is visiting her brother, Mr. E. H. Insull, stenographer for the Lake of the Woods Milling Company.

—The Methodist Sunday school will hold their annual picnic at Sandy Beach, foot of Bay Street, Keewatin, on Friday the 31st inst.

—The Methodist pulpit will be occupied on Sunday morning by Rev. Mr. Jamieson, and in the evening by Mr. Copeland, of the Y.M.C.A.

—All the men of Messrs. Dick & Banning's log drive, of which Mr. Jas. Gray was foreman, returned to town on Wednesday, all their logs have safely reached the Company's boom on Rainy river.

—Mr. Baird, who was injured at Quarry island some time ago and has since been suffering from concussion of the brain, has so far recovered as to be able to go west to visit friends at Gladstone, Man.

—Two cars will be left here to accommodate the people who are going to the C. P. R. Picnic on Monday. It is doubtful if they will hold all who have decided to go, as nearly the half of the town talks of going.

—The increasing business of Keewatin has rendered it necessary for the C. P. R. to put in an additional siding on the south side of their present tracks. Rock is also being removed for the extension of the station platform.

—Rev. E. J. Chegwin went east last Monday night to his old home in Ontario for a holiday trip and will be absent two Sundays. Mr. Copeland Secretary of the Y.M.C.A., Winnipeg, will take his preaching appointments in his absence.

—On Wednesday last the steamer Shamrock, Capt. Lewis, started for Rainy River; when thirty miles out her coupling broke. The steamer Kennina returning from the treaty grounds, towed her into Rat Portage where her machinery was repaired.

—Additional seating capacity has been rendered necessary in the Methodist church under the efficient ministrations of the Rev. Mr. Chegwin. Besides the extra seats other carpenter work is being done by Mr. Jos. Morris and painting by Messrs. Jean & Gauvreau.

—There will be an excursion per the steamer Shamrock, leaving Keewatin, 7:30; Norman, 8; Rat Portage, 9 o'clock, on Monday next the 27 inst., for a trip up the lake, to the Northwest Angle, under the auspices of the Lake of the Woods Reading Room, Keewatin. Tickets Adults, 75; Children, 25; meals provided on the boat if required, 25 cents each.

Y M C A INSTITUTE.

—During this week grounds have been prepared for a Y M C A summer institute on Sandy Beach at the foot of Bay street. Mr C M Copeland, the provincial secretary for the west, Rev Mr Hague, of Glenboro, Rev Mr McKay, of Ontario, and Mr W D Bayley, of Winnipeg, have been making preparations for the party, which arrived last evening. To-day the party will go into camp and prepare for a commencement to-morrow. The program has not yet been definitely arranged, but it is expected to include daily for a fortnight two hours Bible study under the leadership of Rev H E Brown, of New York, one of the international secretaries of the Y M C A.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The Council met on the 17th.

Present: Reeve Young, Councillors Rideout, Campbell and Nash.

A petition was presented from W J Higgins and others, which was referred to Board of Works. The petition asked for opening streets to school and for fire purposes.

Orders were passed in favor of the following: W J Gordon, $10.75; Wm. Sims, $9.18; J A McCrossan, $87.80; Wright & Malcolm, $10.50; W D Atwell, $105.50; John Heany, $1; T Burk, $41.81; J McInnis, 50c; J Link, $2; R P Murphy, $4; J R Harris, $6.12; J Neil, $1.75; D McIntosh, $1.75; R A Duncan, 50c.; H F Holmes, $4.50; J Hayes, $6; D Emmons, $6; R B Donkin, $6; R Martin, $3; C Anti, $3; T Burk, $3; Minnesota and Ontario Lumber Co, $33.02; P Barnard, $6.26; Jos Thompson, $3.50.

A committee was appointed to draft an agreement with the Western Lumber Company in reference to street proposed to be opened towards the Chadwick survey.

A committee was appointed to report at next meeting as to the erection of a pound.

SPECIAL OFFER.

While we have fixed our rate of subscription at $1.50 per annum, we have decided to make a special offer to hold good during the balance of 1891. To all who pay their subscriptions in advance we will send THE RECORD till the end of 1892 for $1.50, which is equal to giving the balance of the present year free on payment of one year's subscription. Now, friends, hand in your names, and ask your neighbors to do likewise. We are after a big list, and are determined to get there.

THE NORTHWEST.

—Deputy Governor Richie assented two bills which included the following—The act to revise and amend the act to incorporate the Medicine Hat Railway and Coal Company; the act to incorporate the Buffalo Lake and Battleford Railway, Coal and Iron Company; and the act to revise and amend the act to incorporate the Red Deer Valley Railway and Coal Company.

—Regina Leader: His Honor the Lieut. Governor returned from Ottawa last week and is busily occupied with public work. A representative of the Leader called on His Honor yesterday. When asked about the statement that there would be no executive in the Assembly His Honor laughed and said of course, it was absurd. The money will be given to the Assembly to control and naturally this implies that they can make provisions for expending it. It will be for the House to say by what means the funds will be spent, whether by a finance committee, an advisory board or a small ministry. Either of these the Assembly will have power to appoint and to pay, no matter whether that power is given by the bill or not, for it forms a part of the constitution of all responsible governments. In reply to a question as to the date of the elections His Honor said that parliament would probably sit until the middle of August and the elections will be held at the time which will be most convenient for the people, probably late in September. He also informed us that there would be no re-distribution this year, although the districts which now send two members may be divided. As there is such a strong feeling in favor of the ballot, we shall probably have that for the elections, which will ensure a good chance for the electorate to give a proper verdict on the great question which will occupy their attention, namely prohibition versus license. The settlement of that question depends on the relative number of temperance men and their opponents who will be returned, for the assembly is to have power to deal with the question. The bill has not been printed yet. A session of the Legislature will be held almost immediately after the elections.

FORT WILLIAM.

—Work has been commenced on the foundation of the annex to elevator "A."

—Mr. James Conmee, M.P.P., laid the corner stone of the new Methodist church here on Tuesday.

C P R PICNIC.

No effort is being spared to make the C P R picnic at Rennie on Monday next the best that has yet been held. The very best of everything in the way of refreshments and fruit has been secured, and every preparation made on the grounds for the pleasure and comfort of all who may attend. A special large tent is being put up for the accommodation of ladies and children, and all other conveniences required for the day are being arranged. The catering department is under the direction of Mr. J. Galligan, who will be assisted by Mr. D V Morrison, under whose direction everything is certain to be first class. The train will leave Rat Portage at 7:30, Norman 7:45 and Keewatin at 8 o'clock sharp. Trains from Winnipeg and Ignace stopping at all stations will connect. The following is the program of the sports for the day:—

Nos. 1 and 8 open to all and all other events confined to local competitors.

Entrance fee 25c. to all events except Nos. 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17.

1. 100 yds, open, 1st, $8; 2nd, $4.

2. 100 yds, Brakemen, 1st, pair pants, $8.50, Mr. Nicholson; 2nd, picture, $5, [illegible] Furniture Co.; 3rd, cuff buttons, $3.50, Mr. Carmichael.

3. 100 yds, Firemen, 1st, $3; 2nd, pair boots, Mr. Carmichael, $4 and $2.

4. 100 yds, Conductors, 1st, $3; 2nd, hat, Mr. Carmichael, $3 and $2.

5. 100 yds, Engineers, 1st, $3; 2nd, hat, Mr. Carmichael, $3 and $2.

6. 100 yds, Officemen C.P.R., 1st, spring rocker, Mr. Elliott, $7, and cash $2; 2nd, 1 doz. cabinet photos, Mr. Wright, $4.

7. 100 yds, Shopmen, 1st, $3; 2nd, smoker's case, Mr. Crone, $7.

8. 300 yds., open, 1st, $8; 2nd, $4.

9. 100 yds., Section Men, 1st, $5; 2nd, bag flour; 3rd, 1 ham.

10. 100 yds., Section Foremen, 1st, bbl. flour; 2nd, box cigars.

11. Special, 100 yds., C.P.R. Employees, silver medal by Rev. W. N. [illegible].

12. Baseball match, Rat Portage vs. Keewatin, prize, $20.

13. 50 yds., boys under 14, 1st, book, Mr. Meikle, $3; 2nd, $1.

14. 50 yds., girls under 14, 1st, value, Mr. Coate, $2; 2nd, satchel, Mrs. Alexander, $2.

15. 75 yds., boys under 17, 1st, pr. boots, White & Manahan, $4; 2nd, value goods, Mr. Philbin, $3.

16. 75 yds., girls over 17, 1st, brooch gold, value $5; 2nd, doz. cabinet photos, $4, Mr. Grant.

17. Married ladies' race, prize, pr. corsets, Mr. Carmichael.

18. 100 yds. pipe race, 1st, $5; 2nd, pipe, Mr. Henning, $3.

19. 100 yds. egg race, 1st, $4; 2nd, $2.

20. Three legged race, 100 yds., 1st, $3; 2nd, $2.

21. Best lady and gentleman waltzer, prize, value, Mr. Ferguson, $5.

22. Standing long jump, 1st, $3; 2nd, $2.

23. Standing three jumps, 1st, $3; 2nd, hat, Mr. Bauce, $3.

24. Running long jump, 1st, value, Mr. Mills, $6.50; 2nd, $3.

25. Hop, step and jump, 1st, Robertson & Co., value, $5; 2nd, $3.

26. Running high jump, 1st, $4; 2nd, $2.

27. Vaulting with pole, 1st, $5; 2nd, $3.

28. Putting shot, 1st, $4; 2nd, $2.

29. Quoiting match, 1st, $6; 2nd, $3; 3rd, $1.

30. 100 yds. consolation, 1st, $4; 2nd, $2.

—Considerable indignation has been created in Ireland, as well as among the friends of Ireland in this country by the revelations contained in the financial statement of the "plan of campaign," and which despite its suppression, has just been made public. Mr. Parnell has been forced to admit that so far as the books show, the statement is a correct one. The exhibit is certainly a most extraordinary one. The total amount collected for the "plan of campaign" was $600,000, of which $400,000 came from the United States, $150,000 from Australia, and $50,000 from England and other sources. Of this total $285,000 have been expended in law expenses, $200,000 is claimed to have been spent in buildings and for other purposes in New Tipperary, $15,000 has been devoted to sundries, another $15,000 is put down as missing, a receipt for the amount being in the hands of the trustees, but the gentleman whose name is appended to it declaring it to be a forgery, and the balance of $135,000 was distributed among the unfortunate tenants for whose necessities the entire total was subscribed. The lawyers, therefore, have secured $100,000 more than the tenants, and altogether, $465,000 out of the $600,000 have gone elsewhere than to the people whom it was sought to relieve. Of the amount of $135,000 paid to tenants, $4,500, or $1,500 a year for three years has, according to the statement been paid under the "plan" to the owner of a large "campaign" farm. On the basis of these figures the conclusion is reached that even were Messrs. Parnell and McCarthy to agree to the release of the funds now locked in Paris, there would hardly be sufficient to maintain the "plan of campaign" on the basis of past expenditures for six months longer.

—It is reported the Canadian Pacific railway company intend to place a line of the freight and passenger steamers on the route between Duluth and Montreal.

—Canadian Pacific earnings for May, 1891, were: Gross earnings, $1,602,920; working expenses $1,018,281; net profits, $573,639. In May, 1890, the net profits, 477,965. For the five months ending May 31st, 1891, the figures are as follows: Gross earnings, $7,424,983; working expenses, $5,072,273; net profits, $2,325,909. For the five months ending May 31st, 1890, the net profits were $1,675,258. The earnings and expenses of the New Brunswick railway are included in both years.

—MEN WHO ADVERTISE and need a new idea now and then, or who have not always the time or inclination to prepare their advertisements will find a valuable assistant in the novel book of "Ideas for Advertisers" just published by D. T. Millet, New Haven, Conn., and sent on receipt of $1.00, post-paid. He also publishes a tasty pamphlet called "When," (price 25c.) a treasury of good advice to business men. Descriptive circulars of both these new books can be obtained upon request to the publisher.

NOTICE.

THE following is a summary of the Regulations with respect to the manner of recording claims for MINERAL LANDS other than Coal Lands, and the conditions governing the purchase of the same.

Any person may explore vacant Dominion Lands not appropriated or reserved by Government for other purposes, and may search therein, either by surface or subterranean prospecting, for mineral deposits, with a view to obtaining a mining location for the same but no mining location shall be granted until actual discovery has been made of the vein, lode, or deposit of mineral or metal within the limits of the location of claim.

A location for mining, except for Iron or Petroleum, shall not be more than 1,500 feet in length, nor more than 600 feet in breadth. A location for mining Iron or Petroleum shall not exceed 160 acres in area.

On discovering a mineral deposit any person may obtain a mining location, upon marking out his location on the ground in accordance with the regulations in that behalf, and filing with the Agent of Dominion Lands for the district, within sixty days from discovery, an affidavit in form prescribed by Mining Regulations, and paying at the same time an office fee of five dollars, which will entitle the person so recording his claim to enter into possession of the location applied for.

At any time before the expiration of five years from the date of recording his claim, the claimant may, upon filing proof with the Local Agent that he has expended $500 in actual mining operations on the claim, by paying to the Local Agent therefor $5 per acre, cash, and a further sum of fifty dollars to cover the cost of survey, obtain a patent for said claim, as provided in the said Mining Regulations.

Copies of the Regulations may be obtained upon application to the Department of the Interior.

A. M. BURGESS,
Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.
Department of the Interior,
Ottawa, July, 1891. 37

HOMESTEAD REGULATIONS.

All even-numbered sections of Dominion Lands in Manitoba or the North-West Territories, except 8 and 26, which have not been homesteaded, reserved to provide wood lots for settlers, or other purposes, may be homesteaded by any person who is sole head of the family, or male over eighteen years of age, to the extent of one quarter section of 160 acres, more or less.

ENTRY.

Entry may be made personally at the local land office in which the land to be taken is situated, or if the homesteader desires he may on application to the Minister of the Interior Ottawa, or the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, receive authority for some one to make entry for him. A fee of $10 is charged for an ordinary homestead entry; but for lands which have been occupied an additional fee of $10 is chargeable to meet inspection and cancellation expenses.

HOMESTEAD DUTIES.

Under the present law, homestead duties may be performed in three ways, and on making application for entry the settler must declare under which of the following conditions he elects to hold his land.

1. Three years' cultivation and residence during which period the settler may not be absent for more than six months in any one year without forfeiting the entry.

2. Residence for three years anywhere within two miles of the homestead quarter section, and afterwards actual residence in a habitable house upon the homestead for three months next prior to application for patent. Under this system ten acres must be broken the first year after entry 15 additional in the second, and 15 in the third year, 10 acres to be in crop the second year, and 25 acres the third year.

3. The five years system, under which a settler may reside anywhere for the first two years (but must perfect his entry by commencing cultivation within six months after the date thereof,) breaking five acres the first year, cropping those 5 acres and breaking 10 acres additional the second year, and also building a habitable house before the end of the second year. The settler must commence actual residence on the homestead at the expiration of two years from the date of the entry, and thereafter reside upon and cultivate his homestead for at least six months in each of the three next succeeding years.

APPLICATION FOR PATENT

may be made before the local agent, any homestead inspector, or the intelligence officer at Medicine Hat or Qu'Appelle Station. Before making application for patent, the settler must give six months' notice in writing to the Commissioner of Dominion Lands of his intention to do so.

INTELLIGENCE OFFICES

are situated at Qu'Appelle Station and Medicine Hat. Newly arrived immigrants will receive at any of these offices information as to the lands that are open for entry and from the officer in charge, free of expense, advice and assistance in securing lands to suit him.

A SECOND HOMESTEAD

may be taken by anyone who has received a homestead patent or a certificate of recommendation countersigned by the Commissioner of Dominion Lands upon application for patent made by him, or had earned title to his first homestead on, or prior to the second day of June, 1887.

INFORMATION.

Full information respecting the land, timber, coal and mineral laws, and copies of these Regulations, as well as those respecting Dominion Lands in the Railway Belt in British Columbia, may be obtained upon application to the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, Ottawa; the Commissioner of Dominion Lands, Winnipeg, Manitoba; or to any of the Dominion Lands Agents in Manitoba or the North-West Territories.

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